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Attention EMT,

On May 17, 2016 the State Fire Prevention Commission adopted the National Core Curriculum from the National Registry of EMTs. This establishes a change in the EMT recertification process in Delaware. EMTs must now take an EMT recertification course that consists of 20 hours of National Core Curriculum and 10 hours of State Curriculum. EMTs must also take 10 hours of continuing education during the two year certification period.

The Delaware State Fire School will offer this program in a blended learning format; 14 hours online and 16 hours of classroom time to maintain the 2 day class program for the state's EMTs.

EMTs will be eligible to take this new refresher course beginning on October 1, 2016 at the Delaware State Fire School locations. EMTs who have already completed a refresher course for their 2017 renewal will still be able to use that course. EMTs who renew in 2018 must utilize the new refresher course format.

All Delaware EMS Training Agencies will be required to utilize the new refresher format by January 1, 2017.

Continuing education hours may be obtained in a variety of ways that include, DVFA Conference, National Conferences, online CEUs, or any way outlined in the NREMT guidance at <a href="https://www.nremt.org/nremt/EMTServices/nccp\_info.asp">https://www.nremt.org/nremt/EMTServices/nccp\_info.asp</a>.

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Sincerely,

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